

EASE PROJECT LEARNING PRESENTATION CEMT Company Ltd By Lusungu Kumwenda 29th April 2021





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Presentation summary

- ✤Project Progress and Results
- Key Learning with respect to scaling up & deploying more grid
- Registration with MERA/NCIC
- Minigrid Performance against expectations & future deployment
- ♦ Electricity sale
- Energy Sold
- Detail Design & Grid Expansion



Barriers Experience in additional development's











- CEM in conjunction with CES are implementing a 80 KWP Solar PV Min Grid Project in Sitolo Village, Mchinji District.
- Community Energy Scotland (CES) and Community Energy Malawi (CEM) secured further funding in late 2017, from the Scottish Government's Climate Justice Innovation Fund (CJIF).
- This was for capacity building in the local community to develop a sustainable mini-grid management system and business model that would ensure long-term viability and success of the installed solar mini-grid.
- Building community resilience, and strengthening local agriculture and local enterprise through a sustainable solar powered mini-grid initiative



The project is funded by UNDP through GoM and aimed at Increasing Access to Clean and Affordable Decentralized Energy Services in Selected Vulnerable Areas of Malawi.









Community Energy Malawi Build –Own and operate Sitolo mini-grid infrastructure and act as the liaison with government and regulatory bodies in relation to compliance.

The proposition was that a sustainable electricity mini-grid system needs several key elements for instance a well built and maintained energy generation, energy storage and distribution infrastructure;

>A sustainable financial business model with sufficient to cover operational, maintenance and repair costs as well as resources to expand the network in future;

Sufficiently training local personnel able to carry out basic maintenance.











Trained local power lines men & Electricians with funding from SG-CJIF Project













MERA& NCIC REGISTRATION

Households & Grid Installation Inspection Technical Report was shared with MERA

CEM –Sitolo 80KWP PV power Plant has registration certificate for min grid Electricity (

Generation and Distribution) was issued in 2020 with MERA

CEMT Ltd is certified by MERA and Registered with NCIC

MWK 50,000.00 has been paid as Registration fee

Sitolo Minigrid was commissioned on 24th December 2019











Power purchase agreement (PPA)

- CEMT Ltd signed power purchase with Village Electricity Committee(VEC)
- Operations and maintenance to be done by CEMT ltd on behalf of community
- Finances to be managed by CEMT Ltd
- Tariffs Review will be based on automatic tariff adjustment formula(ATAF)
- New Tariffs to be shared with VEC
- Connection fee for a customers-MWK20000:00











Installed Geration Capacity

- 80kwp Pv Sitolo minigrid Generation capacity
- Maximum peak power demand -5kw
- Only 155households are connected
- One primary school is connected
- One maize mill with 7.5 kw motor
- Two churches
- Two barber shops are connected











CEM T tariffs Categories :

- Household Tariffs- US\$ 0.18
- Business Tariffs- US\$0.19
- Social Tariffs US\$ 0.09











Site administration

CEMT Ltd Trained local staffs to operate the vending unit

Token is generated at our site office











Grid Expansion

- Detail Design was done by CEMT Ltd /Ministry of Energy
- Grid has been extended to Molosiyo and Ndawambe village
- ✤720 HHs have been wired out of 930 HHs to be connected
- ✤ 7km 33KV High voltage line has been constructed
- Medium voltage lines have been constructed



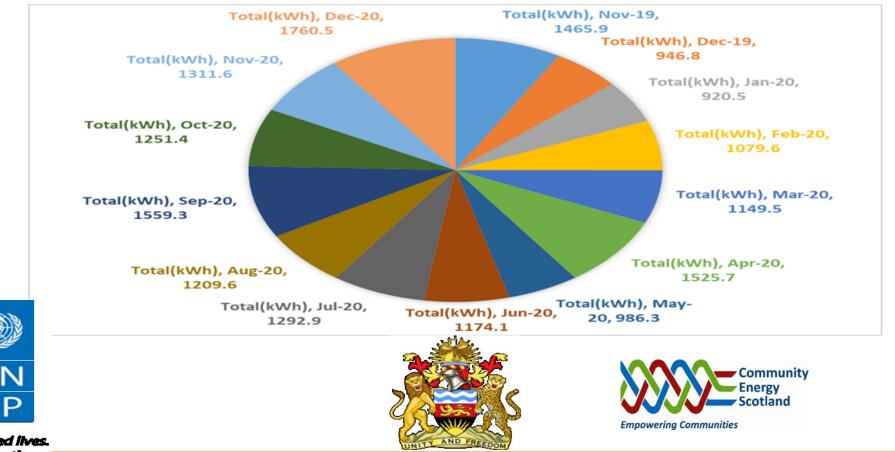








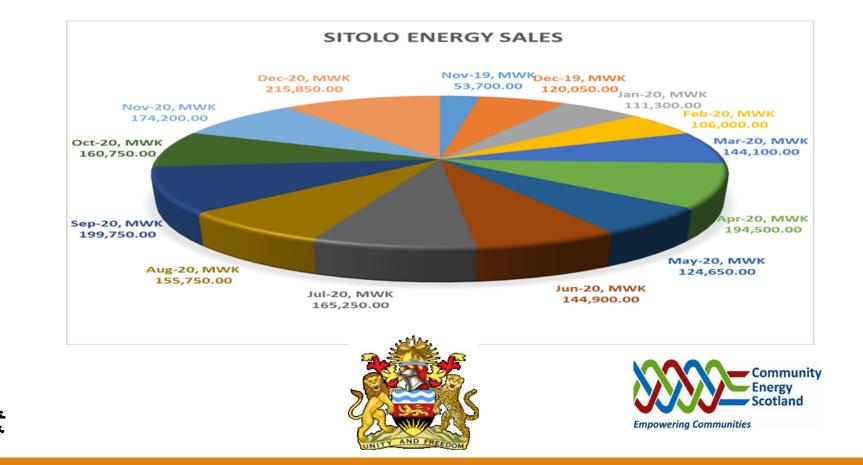
Energy Sold between 2019-2020







Electricity sold between 2019-2020









Challenges

Tariffs are much lower compare to other countries

- Lack of funding –No access for funding from Rural Electrification Fund agency
- Lack of technical know how
- System being Under utilised











Thanks for your attention







